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J. M. J. St. Joseph's
Russell
Aug 24/88

Russell, Indiana
August 24, 1888.
Miss M. M. Russell

Your letter
containing information about
sheets, pillow cases, etc, was recd.
in due course of mail. The boxes
from Wamamaker also came in
good condition. The sisters had
them opened day before yesterday.
The Sisters ^{came} out week ago last Mon-
day, (6 Franciscans) Dan Riley
accompanied by his father, arrived
last Thursday the 16th inst. The
father remained with us over Sunday
and started back to Philadelphia
Monday. Our first installment of
Indian boys arrived day before
yesterday, 9 of them, fine

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looking, and evidently good boys.
Yesterday 6 Dakotas and 9 Chippewas
arrived. The building is not yet
finished. Masons are plastering
the walls in the rooms. In
the mean time, we do the best
we can with the Indian boys.
The bed-steads did not yet
arrive. I think I have now
told you what most you
would wish to know. Father
Stephan is engaged in collect-
ing pupils for the schools.

With many thanks for
so many things done for the
Indians and with best wishes
for the welfare and happiness
of yourself and good sisters
I remain

Yours truly in X^{ts}
George L. Willard.